

Sirs,

I am appalled that Sinclair broadcasting will be allowed to broadcast a CLEARLY partisan program, in an election year final month without being subject to equal time requirements. This is a blatant attempt to circumvent the LAW! I would expect your office to enforce the law as it is written, rather than being a party to this. At the very least, they should be required to air a program selected by the other party to be fair. FAIRNESS. Sinclair does not own the PUBLIC airwaves, merely borrows them.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.  
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